



THE WINDS
MARCH 9, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

March 7-11	School Social Worker Week
March 7-11	Technology Staff Appreciation Week
March 9	Student Leadership
March 13	Daylight Savings Begins, Spring Ahead
March 16	Student Leadership
March 19	Imagination Fair (more information below)
March 23	Wacky Wednesday: Animal Day
Mar. 28-Apr. 1	Spring Break
April 4	No School – Planning/Grading Day
April 6	Student Leadership
April 18	E-LEARNING DAY
April 20	Student Leadership

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Social Worker and Technology Staff Appreciation Week takes place this week in our district. Thank you to Deephaven social worker, Jessica Thull, for all you do to support Deephaven students. Our technology staff works at another building, but you may have interacted with our Parent Helpdesk in the past. Our technology staff are always so helpful, and we appreciate them.

Update your child's iPad - MCAs are approaching, and we learned that Test Nav will not run on the former operating system. The tech department recently communicated to families/students about updating their iPads to the latest OS version. Please take time to update your child's iPad to the latest operating system.

Thank You for attending your child's conference last week. Once again, we had incredible attendance with over 98% of parents attending their child's conference. The home/school partnership is critical for the success of a child, and we appreciate your time and energy to work together with us.

Parent Input Forms You may complete a Parent Input form and return it to your child's teacher. Forms are available in the office. The deadline to turn in your form is **Friday, March 25**. We will do our best to take your input into consideration as we build class lists for next year. We do not guarantee that we can accommodate all requests due to the difficult task of creating balanced classrooms.

Wacky Wednesday takes place on Wednesday, March 23. Students are encouraged to dress up like their favorite animal. These are fun days at school and participation has been high. The entire staff looks forward to seeing our students dressed up based on the Wacky Wednesday theme.

Tackle Cancer Drive: March 14 to March 18

Help to Tackle Cancer with a donation to the Randy Shaver Cancer Research foundation. Bring in your coins, dollars, or a check made out to the Randy Shaver Cancer Research foundation. Special recognition will be given to the homeroom that raises the most money for Tackle Cancer! Learn more about the Randy Shaver Cancer Research Foundation by clicking on [this link](#).

Daylight Savings begins on Sunday. Set your clocks ahead this weekend. It is time to spring ahead.

Spring Break is the week of March 28 – April 1

No School Monday, April 4 – Grading/Planning Day

OLWEUS BULLYING PREVENTION

This week in our Olweus classroom meetings, we will be focusing on one area where bullying can occur: the bus. We will talk about different ways that we can create a safe environment on our bus ride to and from school. We will also discuss communication. Practice listening to others and paying attention to their feelings. Notice if laughing is friendly laughter or the kind that hurts feelings.

TECHNOLOGY TOUCHPOINTS

Creating Media Balance

Helping our kids balance technology is no small task! Check out these [Five Tips for Creating Media Balance](#) which include the idea of creating a [Family Media Agreement](#) to help establish a clear and healthy family media plan. Or look at this media plan from the [American Academy of Pediatrics](#). [Contact your child's media specialist](#) for more information about Common Sense Media and other resources that help families create and maintain healthy digital lives.

PTA PULSE

Hope you're staying warm on a cold and snowy March day! If you're interested in meeting more Deephaven parents, the PTA committees are a great way to do that. Reach out to [Amanda Sutter](#) to get involved.

Upcoming Key Dates

Mar 11	Imagination Form entries due
Mar 14-18	World Culture Week
Mar 19	Imagination Fair
Apr 8	Lighthouse publishing due

Apr 25-29 Kindness Week
Apr 29 Talent Show
May 21 Deephaven Parent Party

IMAGINATION FAIR - March 19th 9:00-11:00 am "Make it Work" - Friday is the last day to register! Legos, art, cardboard creations, sewing, STEM, coding, and more. [Register via Google Form](#) by Friday 3/11. Students are invited to work alone or in groups. All grades are welcome!

World Culture Week - March 14-18 is coming up next week! This year's theme will be *Minnesota Brings Us Together*, featuring the four countries where most immigrants to our state come from today. This includes Mexico, India, Somalia and Laos (specifically the Hmong culture). If you have a connection to any of these countries/cultures and/or would be interested in helping with this event, please contact our PTA Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee leads: Betsy Chin (betsyjchin@gmail.com) and Hilary Cheeley (hilary.cheeley@gmail.com).

ART ADVENTURE 2022 Volunteer Request: Be a part of an amazing partnership with MIA for students in Grades 1, 3, and 5. Students are presented with 6 art works between March and April. Parent volunteers discuss the pieces using posters and other tools. [Volunteer in Membership Toolkit](#). **Volunteers needed especially for** Clepper, Dahlbacka, and Boberg

Deephaven Parent Party & Virtual Auction -- Save the Date & Committee Members Wanted! Giddy Up! We are excited to be "Back in the Saddle" this year with the return of the Deephaven Parent Party, **Saturday, May 21** on Minnetonka Yacht Club's Lighthouse Island, complete with delicious barbeque, line dancing, rodeo games, as well as a virtual and live auction! To make our event as fun as possible, and to raise big \$ for our school, we are looking for more committee members to help plan and execute. If you love fundraising or event planning, please join us!

[SIGN UP to volunteer](#). Questions (or have a fabulous auction item to donate?) Please reach out to Deephaven Parent Party Co-Chairs Polly Madsen at madsen.polly@gmail.com or Stephanie Powell at marystephanie@gmail.com.

READ-A-THON - Volunteer Request - Friday March 11: We need a few more [volunteers to assist with packaging student prizes](#) on Friday, March 11th from 9am-1pm. Includes pizza lunch! Email deephavenreadathon@gmail.com or sign up through Membership Toolkit.

Lighthouse Publishing - Submissions due Friday April 8th.

The 3rd and last Lighthouse Publishing event of the year! Congrats to all the fantastic Read-a-Thon readers! Now that you read all those books, time to write your own story! **1st Graders are invited to this session**; can't wait to see our youngest writers! The awards ceremony will be **Wednesday, April 20th**.

Write a short story, comic strip, poem, journal... you decide! And, you have a nice long school break, to write away. Entries must be submitted in this format:

[Lighthouse Publishing Template](#), and emailed to: deephaven.lighthousepublishing@gmail.com. Thank you, and Happy writing!

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